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CIVIL AVIATION
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AIR CONNECTION BETWEEN CITIES
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Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has formulated any scheme to connect several cities with air service;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the names of the cities in Madhya Pradesh proposed to be connected by air service with the major cities such as Nagpur, Hyderabad, Bangalore and Chennai;

(d) the action taken in this regard; and

(e) the time likely to be taken to provide the said service?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI PRAFUL PATEL)

(a),(b),(c),(d)and (e): As per present policy Airlines are free to choose the routes on which they wish to operate. However, Government has laid down Route Dispersal Guidelines with a view to achieving better regulation of air transport services taking into account the need for air transport services of different regions of the country including North-Eastern region. It is up to the airlines to provide air services to specific places depending upon the traffic demand and commercial viability.